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Sir:

In response to the Supplemental Office action of August 11, 2004, and having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on November 11, 2004, please amend the application as follows. Please charge any additional requisite fees relating to this amendment and response to Deposit Account No. 50-1581.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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